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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is to urge DOT to plan responsibly. According to the latest STIP, basic maintenance of existing modes of transportation is being neglected in lieu of creating new roads. Whether a person is for or against the new roads and bridge is irrelevant when basic needs are not being met. Let me compare this to life in Alaska. Common sense tells us to change the oil in our cars, clean our teeth, and fertilize out plants. Without this mundane, routine care our cars, health, and plants fall apart. Only after we have met our basic needs should we think about buying a boat...one more thing to maintain. It is the same with roads. If we can not afford to take care of what we have, we have no business adding to what we need to maintain. It is a poor business decision to add any new roads/ bridges with the current allotted budget. I urge you to act responsibly with my tax dollars.

Sincerely,

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cc: Bert Stedman, Peggy Wilson, Governor Frank Murkowski, SEACC